

Biblia Sacra: Res Gestae Samsonis

(id est: Judices XIII-XVI)

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Lhomond Epitome:

Quum Hebraei in potestate essent Philistaeorum, et ab illis affligerentur, natus est Samson, futurus ultor hostium. Hujus mater diu sterilis fuerat, sed ei Angelus Domini apparuit, praedixitque eam parituram filium, qui cives suos in libertatem aliquando vindicaret. Enixa puerum, nomen Samsonis ei indidit. Puer crevit; intonsam habuit comam; nec vinum, nec siceram bibit: incredibili fuit corporis robore; obvium leonem manu interfecit.

Samson adultus, Philistaeos multis affecit cladibus: cepit trecentas vulpes, quarum caudis accensas lampades alligavit, et in hostium agros immisit. Tunc forte messis matura erat; ita facile incendium fuit. Omnes segetes, vineae et oleae exustae sunt; nec inimicam gentem variis incommodis vexare destitit. Traditus Philistaeis rupit vincula, quibus constrictus fuerat; et arrepta maxilla asini, hoc telo, quod casus dederat, mille hostium prostravit.

Quadam die, Samson urbem Philistaeorum ingressus est, ibique pernoctaturus videbatur. Philistaei occasionem captantes portas obserari jusserunt, ne quis exiret. Per totam noctem expectabant silentes, ut Samsonem mane exeuntem interficerent. At Samson media nocte surrexit, venitque ad portam urbis, quam quum invenisset clausam, humeris sustulit cum postibus et seris, atque in verticem montis vicini portavit.

Tandem Philistaei, qui Samsonem comprehendere nequiverant, illius uxorem pecunia corruperunt ut ea virum proderet. Mulier viro persuasit, ut sibi indicaret causam tanta virtutis: et ubi rescivit vires ejus in capillis sitas esse, caput dormientis totondit atque ita eum Philistaeis tradidit. Illi, effossis oculis, vinctum in carcerem dejecerunt diuque ludibrio habuerunt. Sed spatio temporis, crinis accisus crescere, et cum crine virtus redire coepit; jamque Samson conscius recepti roboris justae ultionis tempus opperiebatur.

Erat Philistaeis mos, quum dies festos agerent, producere Samsonem quasi in pompam publicam, captoque insultare. Die quadam quum publicum convivium celebraretur, Samsonem adduci jubent. Domus, in qua omnis populus et principes Philistaeorum epulabantur, subnixa erat duabus columnis mirae magnitudinis. Adductus Samson inter columnas statuitur. Tum ille occasione utens, columnas concussit et turba omnis obruta est ruina domus, simulque Samson ipse cum hostibus non inultus occubuit.

Vulgata: Iudices, cap. XIII-XVI	Castellionis: Iudices, cap. XIII-XVI
<p style="text-align: center;">Caput XIII</p> <p>1 Rursumque filii Israël fecerunt malum in conspectu Domini: qui tradidit eos in manus Philisthinorum quadraginta annis.</p> <p>2 Erat autem quidam vir de Saraa, et de stirpe Dan, nomine Manue, habens uxorem sterilem.</p> <p>3 Cui apparuit angelus Domini, et dixit ad eam: Sterilis es et absque liberis: sed concipies, et paries filium.</p> <p>4 Cave ergo ne bibas vinum ac siceram, nec immundum quidquam comedas:</p> <p>5 quia concipies, et paries filium, cuius non tanget caput novacula: erit enim nazaræus Dei ab infantia sua et ex matris utero, et ipse incipiet liberare Israël de manu Philisthinorum.</p> <p>6 Quæ cum venisset ad maritum suum, dixit ei: Vir Dei venit ad me, habens vultum angelicum, terribilis nimis. Quem cum interrogassem quis esset, et unde venisset, et quo nomine vocaretur, noluit mihi dicere:</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Caput XIII</p> <p>1 Deinde offensus denuo ab Ifraelitis, Jova, eos Palæftinis quadraginta annis dedit.</p> <p>2 Fuit autem vir quidem ex Saraa gentis Daniae, nomine Manoa, cujus uxori (quæ propter fterilitatem erat fobolis expers)</p> <p>3 apparuit Jovae angelus, eamque fic alloquutus eft: Scito te, quæ fterilitatis vitio non paris, concepturam effe parturamque natum.</p> <p>4 Caeterum cave ne vel vinum aut timetum bibas, vel ullo vefcare polluto.</p> <p>5 Nam fcito te conceptum edituram filium, cuius capiti novacula non fit admovenda: erit enim ab utero devotus Deo puer, incipietque Ifraelitas ab injuria Palæftinorum defendere.</p> <p>6 Tum mulier fuum virum adit, nunciat divinum quendam hominem ad fe veniffe, forma divino angelo fimile, valde terribilem: fe quidem ex illo non quaefiviffe unde nam effet, neque illum fibi nomen fuum patefeciffe,</p>

<p>7 sed hoc respondit: Ecce concipies et paries filium: cave ne vinum bibas, nec siceram, et ne aliquo vescaris immundo: erit enim puer nazaræus Dei ab infantia sua, ex utero matris suæ usque ad diem mortis suæ.</p> <p>8 Oravit itaque Manue Dominum, et ait: Obsecro, Domine, ut vir Dei, quem misisti, veniat iterum, et doceat nos quid debeamus facere de puero, qui nasciturus est.</p> <p>9 Exaudivitque Dominus deprecantem Manue, et apparuit rursum angelus Dei uxori ejus sedenti in agro: Manue autem maritus ejus non erat cum ea. Quæ cum vidisset angelum,</p> <p>10 festinavit, et cucurrit ad virum suum: nuntiavitque ei, dicens: Ecce apparuit mihi vir, quem ante videram.</p> <p>11 Qui surrexit, et secutus est uxorem suam: veniensque ad virum, dixit ei: Tu es qui locutus es mulieri? Et ille respondit: Ego sum.</p> <p>12 Cui Manue: Quando, inquit, sermo tuus fuerit expletus, quid vis ut faciat puer? aut a quo se observare debebit?</p> <p>13 Dixitque angelus Domini ad Manue: Ab omnibus, quæ locutus sum uxori tuæ, abstineat se,</p>	<p>7 Sed dixisse concepturam parituramque filium, ac vetuisse ne vinum timetumve biberet, aut ulla re immunda vesceretur: puerum enim Deo devotum fore ab utero ad diem mortis suæ.</p> <p>8 Et Manoa Jovam his verbis precatus est: Quæso te, Domine, ut divinus homo, quem misisti, iterum ad nos veniat, doceatque quid nobis de puero, qui nascetur, faciendum sit.</p> <p>9 Hac Manoa voce a Deo exaudita, venit iterum divinus angelus ad mulierem ruri agentem, absente Manoa ejus viro,</p> <p>10 ad quem mulier protinus currit, nunciatque sibi visum esse eundem hominem, qui ad eam superioribus diebus venisset.</p> <p>11 Igitur Manoa conjugem subsequutus, hominem adit, & ex eo quaerit num sit, qui cum muliere fuisset colloquutus.</p> <p>12 Atque illo fatente: Quid (inquit Manoa) quum ista evenerint, quod erit pueri institutum atque opus?</p> <p>13 Cui angelus: Ab omnibus, quæ dixi, abstineat mulier:</p>
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<p>14 et quidquid ex vinea nascitur, non comedat: vinum et siceram non bibat; nullo vescatur immundo: et quod ei praecepi, impleat atque custodiat.</p>	<p>14 Nihil a vite vinaria profectum gustet: vinum temetumve ne bibat: nihil pollutum comedat: omnia fibi a me praecepta fervet.</p>
<p>15 Dixitque Manue ad angelum Domini: Obsecro te ut acquiescas precibus meis, et faciamus tibi haedum de capris.</p>	<p>15 Tum Manoa: Volumus te retinere, & tibi caprum facere.</p>
<p>16 Cui respondit angelus: Si me cogis, non comedam panes tuos: si autem vis holocaustum facere, offer illud Domino. Et nesciebat Manue quod angelus Domini esset.</p>	<p>16 At angelus: Si me, inquit, retines, dapem tuam non gustabo: & si folidum sacrificium facis, Jovae facito. nesciebat enim Manoa, Jovae angelum esse,</p>
<p>17 Dixitque ad eum: Quod est tibi nomen, ut, si sermo tuus fuerit expletus, honoremus te?</p>	<p>17 Itaque ex eo quaerit quod fit ejus nomen: ut quum ea quae tu dicis, evenerint, inquit, nos te honoremus.</p>
<p>18 Cui ille respondit: Cur quaeris nomen meum, quod est mirabile?</p>	<p>18 At angelus: Cur meum, inquit, nomen percontaris, quod mirabile est?</p>
<p>19 Tulit itaque Manue haedum de capris, et libamenta, et posuit super petram, offerens Domino, qui facit mirabilia: ipse autem et uxor ejus intuebantur.</p>	<p>19 Tum Manoa fumptum caprum & fertum, Jovae in petra cremat: & Jovae angelus, spectantibus Manoa ejusque conjugē, mira fecit.</p>
<p>20 Cumque ascenderet flamma altaris in caelum, angelus Domini pariter in flamma ascendit. Quod cum vidissent Manue et uxor ejus, proni ceciderunt in terram,</p>	<p>20 Nam per flammam, quae ex ara in coelum ferebatur, ascendit: quo vivo, ambo ad terram prociderunt,</p>
<p>21 et ultra eis non apparuit angelus Domini. Statimque intellexit Manue angelum Domini esse,</p>	<p>21 Neque eis deinceps apparuit Jovae angelus, & tum intelligens Manoa angelum esse Jovae,</p>

<p>22 et dixit ad uxorem suam: Morte moriemur, quia vidimus Deum.</p> <p>23 Cui respondit mulier: Si Dominus nos vellet occidere, de manibus nostris holocaustum et libamenta non suscepisset, nec ostendisset nobis hæc omnia, neque ea quæ sunt ventura dixisset.</p> <p>24 Peperit itaque filium, et vocavit nomen ejus Samson. Crevitque puer, et benedixit ei Dominus.</p> <p>25 Cœpitque spiritus Domini esse cum eo in castris Dan inter Saraa et Esthaol.</p>	<p>22 dicit uxori: Moriemur nam Deum vidimus.</p> <p>23 At uxor: Si nos vellet interficere Jova, non accepisset a nobis folidum facrificium atque fertum, neque hæc tam mira nobis ostendisset, neque nos unquam fic exaudivisset.</p> <p>24 Peperit igitur mulier filium, quem Samfonem nomine vocavit, qui puer quum Jova favente adoleviffet,</p> <p>25 Jovae afflatus primum inftinctus eft in castris Daniis, inter Saraam & Eftsol.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Caput XIV</p> <p>1 Descendit ergo Samson in Thamnatha: vidensque ibi mulierem de filiabus Philisthiim,</p> <p>2 ascendit, et nuntiavit patri suo et matri suæ, dicens: Vidi mulierem in Thamnatha de filiabus Philisthinorum: quam quæso ut mihi accipiatis uxorem.</p> <p>3 Cui dixerunt pater et mater sua: Numquid non est mulier in filiabus fratrum tuorum, et in omni populo meo, quia vis accipere uxorem de Philisthiim, qui incircumcisi sunt? Dixitque Samson ad patrem suum:</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Caput XIV</p> <p>1 Quum autem descendiffet aliquando Samfon Thamnatham, ibique vidiffet mulierem quandam Palaestinam:</p> <p>2 parentes fuos adit, narrat fe vidiffe Thamnathæ mulierem quandam Palaestinam: petere u team fibi concilient in matrimonium.</p> <p>3 At parentes eum deterrere: quafi vero in tanta confanguineorum & popularium multitudine deeffent mulieres, ut uxorem a præpatiatis illis Palaestinis accerferet. Sed Samfon a patre flagitat,</p>

<p>Hanc mihi accipe: quia placuit oculis meis.</p> <p>4 Parentes autem ejus nesciebant quod res a Domino fieret, et quæreret occasionem contra Philisthiim: eo enim tempore Philisthiim dominabantur Israël.</p> <p>5 Descendit itaque Samson cum patre suo et matre in Thamnatha. Cumque venissent ad vineas oppidi, apparuit catulus leonis sævus, et rugiens, et occurrit ei.</p> <p>6 Irruit autem spiritus Domini in Samson, et dilaceravit leonem, quasi hædum in frustra discerpens, nihil omnino habens in manu: et hoc patri et matri noluit indicare.</p> <p>7 Descenditque, et locutus est mulieri quæ placuerat oculis ejus.</p> <p>8 Et post aliquot dies revertens ut acciperet eam, declinavit ut videret cadaver leonis, et ecce examen apum in ore leonis erat ac favus mellis.</p> <p>9 Quem cum sumpsisset in manibus comedebat in via: veniensque ad patrem suum et matrem, dedit eis partem, qui et ipsi comederunt: nec tamen eis voluit indicare quod mel de corpore leonis assumpserat.</p>	<p>ut illam sibi acciperet: eam enim sibi placere.</p> <p>4 Nesciebant autem ejus parentes, id a Jova proficisci, occasionem quaerente adversus Palæstinos, qui ea tempestate Ifraelitis imperabant.</p> <p>5 Profectus est igitur Samson cum parentibus Thamnatham. Quumque in Thamnathæ vineta venissent, occurrit Leoni ex adverbo rugienti,</p> <p>6 Quem Jovæ afflatus inflatus, discerpit, perinde ac si hædum discerneret, quum tamen nihil in manu haberet: neque id factum parentibus indicavit.</p> <p>7 Deinde cum muliere in colloquium venit, quæ fane ei placuit.</p> <p>8 Ad eam ducendam aliquanto post revertens, quum ad vivendum leonis cadaver deflexisset, animadvertit in ejus corpore examen apum cum melle:</p> <p>9 Quod mel vola sua exceptum, coepit inter eundem comedere: atque ubi ad parentes venit, eis impertivit: comederuntque, nec tamen eis indicavit, se mel illud de leonis sumpsisse corpore.</p>
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<p>10 Descendit itaque pater ejus ad mulierem, et fecit filio suo Samson convivium: sic enim juvenes facere consueverant.</p> <p>11 Cum ergo cives loci illius vidissent eum, dederunt ei sodales triginta ut essent cum eo.</p> <p>12 Quibus locutus est Samson: Proponam vobis problema: quod si solveritis mihi intra septem dies convivii, dabo vobis triginta sindones, et totidem tunicas:</p> <p>13 sin autem non potueritis solvere, vos dabitis mihi triginta sindones, et ejusdem numeri tunicas. Qui responderunt ei: Propone problema, ut audiamus.</p> <p>14 Dixitque eis: De comedente exivit cibus, et de forti egressa est dulcedo. Nec potuerunt per tres dies propositionem solvere.</p> <p>15 Cumque adesset dies septimus, dixerunt ad uxorem Samson: Blandire viro tuo et suade ei ut indicet tibi quid significet problema: quod si facere nolueris, incendemus te, et domum patris tui: an idcirco vocastis nos ad nuptias ut spoliaretis?</p> <p>16 Quæ fundebat apud Samson lacrimas, et quærebatur, dicens: Odisti me, et non diligis: idcirco problema, quod proposuisti filiis populi mei, non vis mihi exponere.</p>	<p>10 Ubi pater ejus ad mulierem venit, Samfon ibi convivium habuit, ut mos erat adolescentum:</p> <p>11 Qui eo vifo, ad eum convenere, triginta fodales, ut cum eo effent.</p> <p>12 Quibus Samfon: Proponam vobis aenigma, quod & mihi intra feptem convivii dies perveftigatum explicaveritis, dabo vobis triginta lintea, totidemque veftes elegantes.</p> <p>13 Sin autem explicare nequiveritis, dabitis vos mihi triginta lintea, totidemque veftes elegantes. Quumque illi conditionem accepiffent, & aenigma proponi poftularent,</p> <p>14 Sic propofuit: Ex adace cibus, ex feroci exit dulcedo. Hoc aenigma quum illi per triduum aperire non potuiffent,</p> <p>15 Die feptimo petierunt a Samfonis uxore, ut a viro fuo aenigmatis fententiam eblandiretur, quam eis indicaret: alioquin fefe & eam & ejus domum paternam igni crematuros: an enim fe illuc ab ipfis vocatos effe, ad fuum detrimentum?</p> <p>16 Ergo Samfonis uxor apud eum flere, & fefe ei odio effe, non amari, dicere, qui quod aenigma popularibus ipfius propofuiffet, fibi non patefaceret.</p>
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<p>At ille respondit: Patri meo et matri nolui dicere: et tibi indicare potero?</p> <p>17 Septem igitur diebus convivii flebat ante eum: tandemque die septimo cum ei esset molesta, exposuit. Quæ statim indicavit civibus suis.</p> <p>18 Et illi dixerunt ei die septimo ante solis occubitum: Quid dulcius melle, et quid fortius leone? Qui ait ad eos: Si non arassetis in vitula mea, non invenissetis propositionem meam.</p> <p>19 Irruit itaque in eum spiritus Domini, descenditque Ascalonem, et percussit ibi triginta viros: quorum ablatas vestes dedit iis qui problema solverant. Iratusque nimis ascendit in domum patris sui:</p> <p>20 uxor autem ejus accepit maritum unum de amicis ejus et pronubis.</p>	<p>Cui ille demonstrabat, id se ne parentibus quidem explanasse, ne dum ut uxori explanaret.</p> <p>17 Sed illa quum apud eum per septem dies, quibus habitum est convivium, fleret, pervicit die tandem septima, ut aenigma declararet, idque ipsa suis popularibus exposuit.</p> <p>18 Itaque die septima oppidani ante fores occurrunt illi dicunt: Quid melle dulcius? & quid leone ferocius? Et ille: Nisi vitula mea aravissetis, meum aenigma non pervestigassetis.</p> <p>19 Deinde Jovae afflatu percitus, descendit Ascalonem, caesisque inde triginta hominibus, eorum & arma abstulit, & elegantes vestes aenigmatis interpretibus dedit, atque ira accensus domum patris repetiit.</p> <p>20 Atque ejus uxor ipsius Samfonis familiari nupsit, qui ei illius ipsius affinitatis conciliator fuerat.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Caput XV</p> <p>1 Post aliquantulum autem temporis, cum dies triticeæ messis instarent, venit Samson, invisere volens uxorem suam, et attulit ei hædum de capris. Cumque cubiculum ejus solito vellet intrare, prohibuit eum pater illius, dicens:</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Caput XV</p> <p>1 Aliquanto post, messis tritici tempore Samfon visit uxorem suam, caprum ferens, & ad eam admitti se in cubiculum postulat. Sed mulieris pater eum prohibuit, dicens se,</p>

<p>2 Putavi quod odisses eam, et ideo tradidi illam amico tuo: sed habet sororem, quæ junior et pulchrior illa est: sit tibi pro ea uxor.</p> <p>3 Cui Samson respondit: Ab hac die non erit culpa in me contra Philisthæos: faciam enim vobis mala.</p> <p>4 Perrexitque et cepit trecentas vulpes, caudasque earum junxit ad caudas, et faces ligavit in medio:</p> <p>5 quas igne succendens, dimisit ut huc illucque discurrerent. Quæ statim perrexerunt in segetes Philisthinorum. Quibus succensis, et comportatæ jam fruges, et adhuc stantes in stipula, concrematae sunt, in tantum ut vineas quoque et oliveta flamma consumeret.</p> <p>6 Dixeruntque Philisthiim: Quis fecit hanc rem? Quibus dictum est: Samson gener Thamnathæi: quia tulit uxorem ejus, et alteri tradidit, hæc operatus est. Ascenderuntque Philisthiim, et combusserunt tam mulierem quam patrem ejus.</p> <p>7 Quibus ait Samson: Licet hæc feceritis, tamen adhuc ex vobis expetam ultionem, et tunc quiescam.</p>	<p>2 Quum eam illi invifam effe putaret, eam ejus familiari locaffe: effe tamen ei fororem, ut natu minorem, fic forma venuftiorem, eam pro illa duceret.</p> <p>3 Tum Samfon apud illos praefatus, fefectum non effe Palaeftinis injuriam facturum, fi eis malum inferret, difcedit:</p> <p>4 Captifque trecentist vulpibus, & earum caudis inter fe obverfis, fingulas faces binis caudis interponit,</p> <p>5 lifque incenfis, vulpes in Palaeftinorum fegetes laxat, atque ita & metas & fegetes & vineas & oliveta combuffit.</p> <p>6 Hujus facinoris authorem Palaeftini quum Samfonem effe Thamnathenfis illius generum inquirendo comperiffent, quoniam ille ereptam ei uxorem ejus familiari dediffet, invadunt illos, & mulierem ejufque patrem igni comburunt.</p> <p>7 At Samfon: Si ita facitis, inquit, non ante defiftam, quam vos ultus fuero:</p>
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<p>8 Percussitque eos ingenti plaga, ita ut stupentes suram femori imponent. Et descendens habitavit in spelunca petræ Etam.</p> <p>9 Igitur ascendentes Philisthiim in terram Juda, castrametati sunt in loco, qui postea vocatus est Lechi, id est, Maxilla, ubi eorum effusus est exercitus.</p> <p>10 Dixeruntque ad eos de tribu Juda: Cur ascendistis adversum nos? Qui responderunt: Ut ligemus Samson venimus, et reddamus ei quæ in nos operatus est.</p> <p>11 Descenderunt ergo tria millia virorum de Juda ad specum silicis Etam, dixeruntque ad Samson: Nescis quod Philisthiim imperent nobis? quare hoc facere voluisti? Quibus ille ait: Sicut fecerunt mihi, sic feci eis.</p> <p>12 Ligare, inquiunt, te venimus, et tradere in manus Philisthinorum. Quibus Samson: Jurate, ait, et spondete mihi quod non occidatis me.</p> <p>13 Dixerunt: Non te occidemus, sed vinctum trademus. Ligaveruntque eum duobus novis funibus, et tulerunt eum de petra Etam.</p>	<p>8 Atque illis gravi ingentique clade in quodam tractu affectis, descendit in quandam præruptam rupem, nomine Etamum, ibique confedit.</p> <p>9 At Palæftini expeditionem in Judæos faciunt, pofitifque castris exercitum in Judæa apud Maxillam explicant.</p> <p>10 Et quaerentibus Judæis expeditionis causam, respondent, se ad Samfonem confringendum venire, ut ei par pari referant.</p> <p>11 Tum hominum tria millia de Judæis in rupem Etamum descendunt, & ex eo quaerunt, cur, quum sciret Palæftinos imperium in ipsos habere, tamen id facinus ad Judæorum periculum ausus effet?</p> <p>12 Quumque respondisset, fese illis parem gratiam retulisse, demonstrant, se ad eum colligandum Palæftinisque dedendum descendisse.</p> <p>13 Petentique Samfoni, ut jurarent fese ei non esse manus allaturos, promittunt se duntaxat vinctum illis tradituros, neque ei mortem illaturos. Ita duobus recentibus vinctum loris ex rupe educunt.</p>
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<p>14 Qui cum venisset ad locum Maxillæ, et Philisthiim vociferantes occurrissent ei, irruit spiritus Domini in eum: et sicut solent ad odorem ignis lina consumi, ita vincula, quibus ligatus erat, dissipata sunt et soluta.</p> <p>15 Inventamque maxillam, id est, mandibulam asini, quæ jacebat, arripiens interfecit in ea mille viros,</p> <p>16 et ait: In maxilla asini, in mandibula pulli asinarum, delevi eos, et percussi mille viros.</p> <p>17 Cumque hæc verba canens complisset, projecit mandibulam de manu, et vocavit nomen loci illius Ramathlechi, quod interpretatur, Elevatio maxillæ.</p> <p>18 Sitiensque valde, clamavit ad Dominum, et ait: Tu dedisti in manu servi tui salutem hanc maximam atque victoriam: en siti morior, incidamque in manus incircumcisorum.</p> <p>19 Aperuit itaque Dominus molarem dentem in maxilla asini, et egressæ sunt ex eo aquæ. Quibus haustis, refocillavit spiritum, et vires recepit. Idcirco appellatum est nomen loci illius, Fons invocantis de maxilla, usque in præsentem diem.</p> <p>20 Judicavitque Israël in diebus Philisthiim viginti annis.</p>	<p>14 Qui fimulac ad Maxillam venit, vociferantibus in occursum ejus Palæftinis, Jovæ afflatus infinctu, loris, quibus conftricta brachia habebat, abruptis, perinde ac si utulatum igne linum foret, manibusque folutis a vinculis,</p> <p>15 Tabidam nactus afini maxillam corripit, & ea mille viros occidit,</p> <p>16 Atque ita loquitur: Maxilla afini, afini afinarii, maxilla afini proftravi mille viros.</p> <p>17 Hæc loquutus, maxillam de manu abjecit, locumque Maxillæ jactum denominavit.</p> <p>18 Deinde vehementi affectus fiti, Jovam his verbis invocavit: Tu mihi tuo hanc tantam conceffisti victoriam, & nunc fiti moriar? & in manus præputiatorum cadam?</p> <p>19 Tum Deus, fiffio maxillæ dente molari, aquam inde elicuit, unde ille bibit, & recreatus evafit: ex quo Fons invocantis nominatus est, qui fons in Maxilla est ad hunc diem.</p> <p>20 Rexit autem Ifraelitas Palæftinorum temporibus annos viginti.</p>
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Caput XVI	Caput XVI
<p>1 Abiit quoque in Gazam, et vidit ibi mulierem meretricem, ingressusque est ad eam.</p> <p>2 Quod cum audissent Philisthiim, et percrebuisset apud eos intrasse urbem Samson, circumdederunt eum, positus in porta civitatis custodibus: et ibi tota nocte cum silentio praestolantes, ut facto mane exeuntem occiderent.</p> <p>3 Dormivit autem Samson usque ad medium noctem: et inde consurgens, apprehendit ambas portae fores cum postibus suis et sera, impositasque humeris suis portavit ad verticem montis, qui respicit Hebron.</p> <p>4 Post haec amavit mulierem, quae habitabat in valle Sorec, et vocabatur Dalila.</p> <p>5 Veneruntque ad eam principes Philisthinorum, atque dixerunt: Decipe eum, et disce ab illo, in quo habeat tantam fortitudinem, et quomodo eam superare valeamus, et vinctum affligere: quod si feceris, dabimus tibi singuli mille et centum argenteos.</p>	<p>1 Venit autem aliquando Gazam, & ibi vifa quadam meretrice, ad eam introgressus est.</p> <p>2 Quod ubi Gazenfes intellexerunt, illuc veniffe Samfonem, urbem infidiis cinxerunt, eumque tota nocte taciti ad urbis portam praefolati sunt, in animo habentes, eum ante lucem matutinam interficere.</p> <p>3 Sed Samson, postquam ad mediam noctem quievit, fugit de media nocte, & portae urbis fores una cum ambobus postibus prehendit: cumque repagulis avulgas, & suis impositas humeris, exportat in montis cacumen, in Hebraeonis aspectu positi.</p> <p>4 Postea mulierem quandam amavit apud fluvium Sorec, nomine Delilam,</p> <p>5 Ad quam Palaestinarum proceres veniunt, persuadentque ut a Samfone per blanditias discat, in quo posita sit tanta ejus fortitudo, & qua ratione possiat eum vincere, & ad fugiendum confringere: eique mille centum argenteus finguli paciscuntur.</p>

<p>6 Locuta est ergo Dalila ad Samson: Dic mihi, obsecro, in quo sit tua maxima fortitudo, et quid sit quo ligatus erumpere nequeas?</p> <p>7 Cui respondit Samson: Si septem nerviceis funibus necdum siccis, et adhuc humentibus, ligatus fuero, infirmus ero ut ceteri homines.</p> <p>8 Attuleruntque ad eam satrapæ Philisthinorum septem funes, ut dixerat: quibus vinxit eam,</p> <p>9 latentibus apud se insidiis, et in cubiculo finem rei expectantibus: clamavitque ad eum: Philisthiim super te, Samson. Qui rupit vincula, quomodo si rumpat quis filum de stuppæ tortum putamine, cum odorem ignis acceperit: et non est cognitum in quo esset fortitudo ejus.</p> <p>10 Dixitque ad eum Dalila: Ecce illusisti mihi, et falsum locutus es: saltem nunc indica mihi quo ligari debeas.</p> <p>11 Cui ille respondit: Si ligatus fuero novis funibus, qui numquam fuerunt in opere, infirmus ero, et aliorum hominum similis.</p> <p>12 Quibus rursum Dalila vinxit eum, et clamavit: Philisthiim super te, Samson: in cubiculo insidiis præparatis. Qui ita rupit vincula quasi fila telarum.</p>	<p>6 Igitur Dalila a Samfone petit, ut fibi indicet, in quo fuum illud tam ingens robur fitum fit, & qua ratione conftringi fubigique valeat.</p> <p>7 Cui Samfon refpondet, fi feptem recentibus, nec ficcatis viminibus conftringatur, fore fe debilem, & ficut unum de volgo.</p> <p>8 Igitur illi Palaeftinae procures ad eam feptem afferent vimina recentia, nec arefacta, quibus illa Samfonem colligate,</p> <p>9 Et infidiis in conclavi collocatis, fic ei dicit: Imminent tibi Palaeftini, Samfon. Tum ille vitilia tam facile abruptit, quam facile ftupea & igne afflata vitta rumpatur, nec eft illius cognita vis.</p> <p>10 At Delila fe ab illo fallaciter deceptam querens, poftulabat, ut tum faltem fibi indicaret, quo pacto vinciri poffet.</p> <p>11 Cui ille refpondit, fi novis colligaretur funibus, & ad nullum opus adhibitis, fore ut enervaretur, neque quicquam a vulgo hominum differret.</p> <p>12 Igitur Delila eum novis funibus colligate, & ei inftare Palaeftinos dicit, infidiis in conclavi collocatis. At ille funes a brachiis, perinde ac filium, abruptit.</p>
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<p>13 Dixitque Dalila rursum ad eum: Usquequo decipis me, et falsum loqueris? ostende quo vinciri debeas. Cui respondit Samson: Si septem crines capitis mei cum licio plexueris, et clavum his circumligatum terræ fixeris, infirmus ero.</p>	<p>13 Et Delila conquesta fibi hactenus ab illo mendaciis, imponi, petit ut fibi indicet, quo pacto confringi valeret. Cui ille respondit: Si septem mei capitis cincinnos, eosque tapeti intexueris, G. & clavo parieti affixeris, ero debilis ut vulgus hominum.</p>
<p>14 Quod cum fecisset Dalila, dixit ad eum: Philisthiim super te, Samson. Qui consurgens de somno extraxit clavum cum crinibus et licio.</p>	<p>14 Igitur Dalila eum inter sua genua confopivit: & eo dormiente, cepit septem ejus capitis cincinnos, eosque tapeti intexuit, & clavo fixit in pariete H. Deinde ei dixit: Ingruunt tibi Palæstini, Samson. At ille expropterea ex fomno, & clavum, & textum, & tapetem revulfit G. ex pariete, nec ejus vires cognitæ sunt H.</p>
<p>15 Dixitque ad eum Dalila: Quomodo dicis quod amas me, cum animus tuus non sit mecum? Per tres vices mentitus es mihi, et noluisti dicere in quo sit maxima fortitudo tua.</p>	<p>15 Tum illa: Tunc audes me a te amari dicere, quum alienum a me animum habeas? qui mihi jam ter verba dederis, nec indicaris, in quo tua ista tanta vis posita sit?</p>
<p>16 Cumque molesta esset ei, et per multos dies jugiter adhæreret, spatium ad quietem non tribuens, defecit anima ejus, et ad mortem usque lassata est.</p>	<p>16 Hujusmodi quotidianis flagitationibus & improbitate mulieris ille taedio enectus,</p>
<p>17 Tunc aperiens veritatem rei, dixit ad eam: Ferrum numquam ascendit super caput meum, quia nazaraeus, id est, consecratus Deo, sum de utero matris meæ: si rasum fuerit caput meum, recedet a me fortitudo mea, et deficiam, eroque sicut ceteri homines.</p>	<p>17 Omnem suum animum ei aperit: suo capiti novaculam non admoveri ostendit, quoniam Deo a ventre matris fit devotus, quod si tondeatur, abituras a se vires, seque infirmum, & caeterorum omnium similem fore.</p>

<p>18 Vidensque illa quod confessus ei esset omnem animum suum, misit ad principes Philisthinorum ac mandavit: Ascende adhuc semel, quia nunc mihi aperuit cor suum. Qui ascenderunt assumpta pecunia, quam promiserant.</p> <p>19 At illa dormire eum fecit super genua sua, et in sinu suo reclinare caput. Vocavitque tonsorem, et rasis septem crines ejus, et coepit abigere eum, et a se repellere: statim enim ab eo fortitudo discessit.</p> <p>20 Dixitque: Philisthiim super te, Samson. Qui de somno consurgens, dixit in animo suo: Egrediar sicut ante feci, et me excutiam: nesciens quod recessisset ab eo Dominus.</p> <p>21 Quem cum apprehendissent Philisthiim, statim eruerunt oculos ejus, et duxerunt Gazam vinctum catenis, et clausum in carcere molere fecerunt.</p> <p>22 Jamque capilli ejus renasci coeperunt.</p> <p>23 Principes Philisthinorum convenerunt in unum ut immolarent hostias magnificas Dagon deo suo, et epularentur, dicentes: Tradidit deus noster inimicum nostrum Samson in manus nostras.</p>	<p>18 Tum Delila videns illum fibi omnem animum suum patefecisse, mittit evocatum Palaesthinorum optimates: nunc veniant, nam illum fibi plane animum suum detexisse. Atque illi ad eam veniunt, pecuniam fecum afferentes.</p> <p>19 Illa Samfonem in genibus suis confopit, vocatoque homine quodam, & detonsis de Samfonis capite septem circinnis, coepit eum jam viribus destitutum urgere,</p> <p>20 & ei Palaestinos infatigare dicere. Ille fomno expectatus putabat se, ut folitus erat, evasurum ac erupturum, nesciens a se Jovam difcessisse.</p> <p>21 At Palaestini eum comprehendunt, & effosis oculis Gazam perducunt, & duabus vinctum catenis, in ergastulum ad molendum detrudunt.</p> <p>22 Deinde jam ei renascente post tonsuram caesarie,</p> <p>23 Convenere Palaestini proceres ad ingens sacrificium Dagoni deo suo faciendum, & ad laetandum, quod dicerent fibi a deo in manum traditum esse Samfonem hostem suum.</p>
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<p>24 Quod etiam populus videns, laudabat deum suum, eademque dicebat: Tradidit deus noster adversarium nostrum in manus nostras, qui delevit terram nostram, et occidit plurimos.</p> <p>25 Lætantesque per convivia, sumptis jam epulis, præceperunt ut vocaretur Samson, et ante eos luderet. Qui adductus de carcere ludebat ante eos, feceruntque eum stare inter duas columnas.</p> <p>26 Qui dixit puero regenti gressus suos: Dimitte me, ut tangam columnas, quibus omnis imminet domus, et recliner super eas, et paululum requiescam.</p> <p>27 Domus autem erat plena virorum ac mulierum, et erant ibi omnes principes Philisthinorum, ac de tecto et solario circiter tria millia utriusque sexus spectantes ludentem Samson.</p> <p>28 At ille invocato Domino ait: Domine Deus, memento mei, et redde mihi nunc fortitudinem pristinam, Deus meus, ut ulciscar me de hostibus meis, et pro amissione duorum luminum unam ultionem recipiam.</p>	<p>24 Et vulgus eo vifo, deum fuum laudare, qui fibi in poteftatem dediffet hoftem, & terrae fuae depopulatorem, & tam multorum ex fuis interfectorem.</p> <p>25 Atque in hac animorum hilaritate jubent evocari Samfonem, qui eis ludibrio effet. Itaque evocatus Samfon ex ergaftulo, ut illis ludos praeberet, ftatuitur inter columnas.</p> <p>26 Tum puerum, a quo manu ducebatur, monet, ut fe ad columnas applicet, quibus domus incumbibat, ut eis innitatur.</p> <p>27 Erat viris foeminifque referta domus, aderantque omnes Palaeftinae optimates, ex tecto infuper circiter tribus virorum mulierumque millibus, Samfonis ludibria fpectantibus.</p> <p>28 Igitur Samfon Jovam fic invoke: Domine Jova, memento quaefto mei, meque hoc faltem poftremum confirma, Deus, dum pro ambobus oculis meis Palaeftinos femel ulcifcor.</p>
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<p>29 Et apprehendens ambas columnas quibus innitebatur domus, alteramque earum dextera et alteram læva tenens,</p> <p>30 ait: Moriaturs anima mea cum Philisthiim. Concussisque fortiter columnis, cecidit domus super omnes principes, et ceteram multitudinem quæ ibi erat: multoque plures interfecit moriens, quam ante vivus occiderat.</p> <p>31 Descendentes autem fratres ejus et universa cognatio, tulerunt corpus ejus, et sepelierunt inter Saraa et Esthaol in sepulchro patris sui Manue: judicavitque Israël viginti annis.</p>	<p>29 Deinde columnas duas medianas, quibus fulta domus fuftinebatur, alteram dextra, alteram finiftra manu complexus, & ita proloquutus:</p> <p>30 Volo ex vita cum Palaeftinis difcedere: eas tanta vi impulit, ut collapfae fint aedes in primates, & in omnes qui aderant, plurefque moriens occidit, quam vivens occiderat.</p> <p>31 Illo deinde venerunt ejus fratres, omnefque patris domeftici, fublatusque fepelierunt inter Saraam & Eftaol, in fepulchro Manoe patris ejus. Imperavit autem Ifraelitis annos viginti.</p>
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Κριταὶ 13

- 1 καὶ προσέθηκαν οἱ υἱοὶ Ἰσραὴλ ποιῆσαι τὸ πονηρὸν ἐνώπιον κυρίου καὶ παρέδωκεν αὐτοὺς κύριος ἐν χειρὶ Φυλιστιμ τεσσαράκοντα ἔτη
- 2 καὶ ἦν ἀνὴρ εἷς ἀπὸ Σαραα ἀπὸ δήμου συγγενείας τοῦ Δανι καὶ ὄνομα αὐτῷ Μανωε καὶ γυνὴ αὐτῷ στεῖρα καὶ οὐκ ἔτεκεν
- 3 καὶ ὤφθη ἄγγελος κυρίου πρὸς τὴν γυναῖκα καὶ εἶπεν πρὸς αὐτὴν ἰδοὺ σὺ στεῖρα καὶ οὐ τέτοκας καὶ συλλήμψη υἱόν
- 4 καὶ νῦν φύλαξαι δὴ καὶ μὴ πῖης οἶνον καὶ μέθυσμα καὶ μὴ φάγῃς πᾶν ἀκάθαρτον
- 5 ὅτι ἰδοὺ σὺ ἐν γαστρὶ ἔχεις καὶ τέξῃ υἱόν καὶ σίδηρος οὐκ ἀναβήσεται ἐπὶ τὴν κεφαλὴν αὐτοῦ ὅτι ναζιρ θεοῦ ἔσται τὸ παιδάριον ἀπὸ τῆς κοιλίας καὶ αὐτὸς ἄρξεται τοῦ σῶσαι τὸν Ἰσραὴλ ἐκ χειρὸς Φυλιστιμ
- 6 καὶ εἰσῆλθεν ἡ γυνὴ καὶ εἶπεν τῷ ἀνδρὶ αὐτῆς λέγουσα ἄνθρωπος θεοῦ ἦλθεν πρὸς με καὶ εἶδος αὐτοῦ ὡς εἶδος ἀγγέλου θεοῦ φοβερὸν σφόδρα καὶ οὐκ ἠρώτησα αὐτόν πόθεν ἐστίν καὶ τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ οὐκ ἀπήγγειλέν μοι
- 7 καὶ εἶπέν μοι ἰδοὺ σὺ ἐν γαστρὶ ἔχεις καὶ τέξῃ υἱόν καὶ νῦν μὴ πῖης οἶνον καὶ μέθυσμα καὶ μὴ φάγῃς πᾶν ἀκάθαρτον ὅτι ἅγιον θεοῦ ἔσται τὸ παιδάριον ἀπὸ γαστρὸς ἕως ἡμέρας θανάτου αὐτοῦ
- 8 καὶ προσηύξατο Μανωε πρὸς κύριον καὶ εἶπεν ἐν ἐμοὶ κύριε Αδωναιε τὸν ἄνθρωπον τοῦ θεοῦ ὃν ἀπέστειλας ἐλθέτω δὴ ἔτι πρὸς ἡμᾶς καὶ συμβιβασάτω ἡμᾶς τί ποιήσωμεν τῷ παιδίῳ τῷ τικτομένῳ
- 9 καὶ εἰσήκουσεν ὁ θεὸς τῆς φωνῆς Μανωε καὶ ἦλθεν ὁ ἄγγελος τοῦ θεοῦ ἔτι πρὸς τὴν γυναῖκα καὶ αὕτη ἐκάθητο ἐν ἀγρῷ καὶ Μανωε ὁ ἀνὴρ αὐτῆς οὐκ ἦν μετ' αὐτῆς
- 10 καὶ ἐτάχυνεν ἡ γυνὴ καὶ ἔδραμεν καὶ ἀνήγγειλεν τῷ ἀνδρὶ αὐτῆς καὶ εἶπεν πρὸς αὐτόν ἰδοὺ ὥπται πρὸς με ὁ ἀνὴρ ὃς ἦλθεν ἐν ἡμέρᾳ πρὸς με
- 11 καὶ ἀνέστη καὶ ἐπορεύθη Μανωε ὀπίσω τῆς γυναίκος αὐτοῦ καὶ ἦλθεν πρὸς τὸν ἄνδρα καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ εἰ σὺ εἶ ὁ ἀνὴρ ὁ λαλήσας πρὸς τὴν γυναῖκα καὶ εἶπεν ὁ ἄγγελος ἐγώ

- 12 καὶ εἶπεν Μανωε νῦν ἐλεύσεται ὁ λόγος σου τίς ἔσται κρίσις τοῦ παιδίου καὶ τὰ ποιήματα αὐτοῦ
- 13 καὶ εἶπεν ὁ ἄγγελος κυρίου πρὸς Μανωε ἀπὸ πάντων ὧν εἴρηκα πρὸς τὴν γυναῖκα φυλάσσεται
- 14 ἀπὸ παντός ὃ ἐκπορεύεται ἐξ ἀμπέλου τοῦ οἴνου οὐ φάγεται καὶ οἶνον καὶ σικερα μέθυσμα μὴ πιέτω καὶ πᾶν ἀκάθαρτον μὴ φαγέτω πάντα ὅσα ἐνετειλάμην αὐτῇ φυλάσσεται
- 15 καὶ εἶπεν Μανωε πρὸς τὸν ἄγγελον κυρίου κατάσχωμεν ὧδέ σε καὶ ποιήσωμεν ἐνώπιόν σου ἔριφον αἰγῶν
- 16 καὶ εἶπεν ὁ ἄγγελος κυρίου πρὸς Μανωε ἐὰν κατάσχῃς με οὐ φάγομαι ἀπὸ τῶν ἄρτων σου καὶ ἐὰν ποιήσῃς ὀλοκαύτωμα τῷ κυρίῳ ἀνοίσεις αὐτό ὅτι οὐκ ἔγνω Μανωε ὅτι ἄγγελος κυρίου αὐτός
- 17 καὶ εἶπεν Μανωε πρὸς τὸν ἄγγελον κυρίου τί τὸ ὄνομά σοι ὅτι ἔλθοι τὸ ρῆμά σου καὶ δοξάσομέν σε
- 18 καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ ὁ ἄγγελος κυρίου εἰς τί τοῦτο ἐρωτᾷς τὸ ὄνομά μου καὶ αὐτὸ ἐστὶν θαυμαστόν
- 19 καὶ ἔλαβεν Μανωε τὸν ἔριφον τῶν αἰγῶν καὶ τὴν θυσίαν καὶ ἀνήνεγκεν ἐπὶ τὴν πέτραν τῷ κυρίῳ καὶ διεχώρισεν ποιῆσαι καὶ Μανωε καὶ ἡ γυνὴ αὐτοῦ βλέποντες
- 20 καὶ ἐγένετο ἐν τῷ ἀναβῆναι τὴν φλόγα ἐπάνω τοῦ θυσιαστηρίου ἕως τοῦ οὐρανοῦ καὶ ἀνέβη ὁ ἄγγελος κυρίου ἐν τῇ φλογὶ τοῦ θυσιαστηρίου καὶ Μανωε καὶ ἡ γυνὴ αὐτοῦ βλέποντες καὶ ἔπεσαν ἐπὶ πρόσωπον αὐτῶν ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν
- 21 καὶ οὐ προσέθηκεν ἔτι ὁ ἄγγελος κυρίου ὀφθῆναι πρὸς Μανωε καὶ πρὸς τὴν γυναῖκα αὐτοῦ τότε ἔγνω Μανωε ὅτι ἄγγελος κυρίου οὗτος
- 22 καὶ εἶπεν Μανωε πρὸς τὴν γυναῖκα αὐτοῦ θανάτῳ ἀποθανούμεθα ὅτι θεὸν εἶδομεν
- 23 καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ ἡ γυνὴ αὐτοῦ εἰ ἠθέλεν ὁ κύριος θανατῶσαι ἡμᾶς οὐκ ἂν ἔλαβεν ἐκ χειρὸς ἡμῶν ὀλοκαύτωμα καὶ θυσίαν καὶ οὐκ ἂν ἔδειξεν ἡμῖν ταῦτα πάντα καὶ καθὼς καιρὸς οὐκ ἂν ἠκούτισεν ἡμᾶς ταῦτα
- 24 καὶ ἔτεκεν ἡ γυνὴ υἱὸν καὶ ἐκάλεσεν τὸ ὄνομα αὐτοῦ Σαμψων καὶ ἡδρύνθη τὸ παιδάριον καὶ εὐλόγησεν αὐτὸ κύριος

25 καὶ ἤρξατο πνεῦμα κυρίου συνεκπορεύεσθαι αὐτῷ ἐν παρεμβολῇ Δαν καὶ ἀνὰ μέσον Σαραα καὶ ἀνὰ μέσον Εσθαολ.

Κριταὶ 14

1 καὶ κατέβη Σαμψων εἰς Θαμναθα καὶ εἶδεν γυναῖκα εἰς Θαμναθα ἀπὸ τῶν θυγατέρων τῶν ἄλλοφύλων

2 καὶ ἀνέβη καὶ ἀπήγγειλεν τῷ πατρὶ αὐτοῦ καὶ τῇ μητρὶ αὐτοῦ καὶ εἶπεν γυναῖκα ἐόρακα ἐν Θαμναθα ἀπὸ τῶν θυγατέρων Φυλιστιμ καὶ νῦν λάβετε αὐτὴν ἐμοὶ εἰς γυναῖκα

3 καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ ὁ πατὴρ αὐτοῦ καὶ ἡ μήτηρ αὐτοῦ μὴ οὐκ εἰσιν θυγατέρες τῶν ἀδελφῶν σου καὶ ἐκ παντὸς τοῦ λαοῦ μου γυνή ὅτι σὺ πορεύῃ λαβεῖν γυναῖκα ἀπὸ τῶν ἄλλοφύλων τῶν ἀπεριτιμήτων καὶ εἶπεν Σαμψων πρὸς τὸν πατέρα αὐτοῦ ταύτην λαβέ μοι ὅτι αὕτη εὐθεῖα ἐν ὀφθαλμοῖς μου

4 καὶ ὁ πατὴρ αὐτοῦ καὶ ἡ μήτηρ αὐτοῦ οὐκ ἔγνωσαν ὅτι παρὰ κυρίου ἐστὶν ὅτι ἐκδίκησιν αὐτὸς ζητεῖ ἐκ τῶν ἄλλοφύλων καὶ ἐν τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ οἱ ἀλλόφυλοι κυριεύοντες ἐν Ἰσραηλ

5 καὶ κατέβη Σαμψων καὶ ὁ πατὴρ αὐτοῦ καὶ ἡ μήτηρ αὐτοῦ εἰς Θαμναθα καὶ ἦλθεν ἕως τοῦ ἀμπελῶνος Θαμναθα καὶ ἰδοὺ σκύμνος λέοντος ὠρυόμενος εἰς συνάντησιν αὐτοῦ

6 καὶ ἦλατο ἐπ' αὐτὸν πνεῦμα κυρίου καὶ συνέτριψεν αὐτόν ὥσει συντρίψει ἔριφον καὶ οὐδὲν ἦν ἐν ταῖς χερσὶν αὐτοῦ καὶ οὐκ ἀπήγγειλεν τῷ πατρὶ αὐτοῦ καὶ τῇ μητρὶ αὐτοῦ ὃ ἐποίησεν

7 καὶ κατέβησαν καὶ ἐλάλησαν τῇ γυναικὶ καὶ ἠθύνηθη ἐν ὀφθαλμοῖς Σαμψων

8 καὶ ὑπέστρεψεν μεθ' ἡμέρας λαβεῖν αὐτὴν καὶ ἐξέκλινεν ἰδεῖν τὸ πτῶμα τοῦ λέοντος καὶ ἰδοὺ συναγωγὴ μελισσῶν ἐν τῷ στόματι τοῦ λέοντος καὶ μέλι

9 καὶ ἐξεῖλεν αὐτὸ εἰς χεῖρας αὐτοῦ καὶ ἐπορεύετο πορευόμενος καὶ ἐσθίων καὶ ἐπορεύθη πρὸς τὸν πατέρα αὐτοῦ καὶ τὴν μητέρα αὐτοῦ καὶ ἔδωκεν αὐτοῖς καὶ ἔφαγον καὶ οὐκ ἀπήγγειλεν αὐτοῖς ὅτι ἀπὸ τοῦ στόματος τοῦ λέοντος ἐξεῖλεν τὸ μέλι

10 καὶ κατέβη ὁ πατὴρ αὐτοῦ πρὸς τὴν γυναῖκα καὶ ἐποίησεν ἐκεῖ Σαμψων πότον ἑπτὰ ἡμέρας ὅτι οὕτως ποιοῦσιν οἱ νεανίσκοι

- 11 καὶ ἐγένετο ὅτε εἶδον αὐτόν καὶ ἔλαβον τριάκοντα κλητούς καὶ ἦσαν μετ' αὐτοῦ
- 12 καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς Σαμψων πρόβλημα ὑμῖν προβάλλομαι ἐὰν ἀπαγγέλλοντες ἀπαγγείλητε αὐτὸ ἐν ταῖς ἑπτὰ ἡμέραις τοῦ πότου καὶ εὔρητε δώσω ὑμῖν τριάκοντα σινδόνας καὶ τριάκοντα στολὰς ἱματίων
- 13 καὶ ἐὰν μὴ δύνησθε ἀπαγγεῖλαι μοι δώσετε ὑμεῖς ἐμοὶ τριάκοντα ὀθόνια καὶ τριάκοντα ἀλλασσομένας στολὰς ἱματίων καὶ εἶπαν αὐτῷ προβαλοῦ τὸ πρόβλημα καὶ ἀκουσόμεθα αὐτό
- 14 καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς τί βρωτὸν ἐξῆλθεν ἐκ βιβρώσκοντος καὶ ἀπὸ ἰσχυροῦ γλυκύ καὶ οὐκ ἠδύναντο ἀπαγγεῖλαι τὸ πρόβλημα ἐπὶ τρεῖς ἡμέρας
- 15 καὶ ἐγένετο ἐν τῇ ἡμέρᾳ τῇ τετάρτῃ καὶ εἶπαν τῇ γυναικὶ Σαμψων ἀπάτησον δὴ τὸν ἄνδρα σου καὶ ἀπαγγειλάτω σοὶ τὸ πρόβλημα μήποτε κατακαύσωμέν σε καὶ τὸν οἶκον τοῦ πατρός σου ἐν πυρὶ ἢ ἐκβιάσαι ἡμᾶς κεκλήκατε
- 16 καὶ ἔκλαυσεν ἡ γυνὴ Σαμψων πρὸς αὐτὸν καὶ εἶπεν πλὴν μεμίσηκάς με καὶ οὐκ ἠγάπησάς με ὅτι τὸ πρόβλημα ὃ προεβάλου τοῖς υἱοῖς τοῦ λαοῦ μου οὐκ ἀπήγγειλάς μοι καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῇ Σαμψων εἰ τῷ πατρί μου καὶ τῇ μητρί μου οὐκ ἀπήγγελκα σοὶ ἀπαγγείλω
- 17 καὶ ἔκλαυσεν πρὸς αὐτὸν ἐπὶ τὰς ἑπτὰ ἡμέρας ἃς ἦν αὐτοῖς ὁ πότος καὶ ἐγένετο ἐν τῇ ἡμέρᾳ τῇ ἐβδόμῃ καὶ ἀπήγγειλεν αὐτῇ ὅτι παρενώχλησεν αὐτῷ καὶ αὐτὴ ἀπήγγειλεν τοῖς υἱοῖς τοῦ λαοῦ αὐτῆς
- 18 καὶ εἶπαν αὐτῷ οἱ ἄνδρες τῆς πόλεως ἐν τῇ ἡμέρᾳ τῇ ἐβδόμῃ πρὸ τοῦ ἀνατεῖλαι τὸν ἥλιον τί γλυκύτερον μέλιτος καὶ τί ἰσχυρότερον λέοντος καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς Σαμψων εἰ μὴ ἡροτριάσατε ἐν τῇ δαμάλει μου οὐκ ἂν ἔγνωτε τὸ πρόβλημά μου
- 19 καὶ ἦλατο ἐπ' αὐτὸν πνεῦμα κυρίου καὶ κατέβη εἰς Ἀσκαλῶνα καὶ ἐπάταξεν ἐξ αὐτῶν τριάκοντα ἄνδρας καὶ ἔλαβεν τὰ ἱμάτια αὐτῶν καὶ ἔδωκεν τὰς στολὰς τοῖς ἀπαγγείλασιν τὸ πρόβλημα καὶ ὠργίσθη θυμῷ Σαμψων καὶ ἀνέβη εἰς τὸν οἶκον τοῦ πατρὸς αὐτοῦ
- 20 καὶ ἐγένετο ἡ γυνὴ Σαμψων ἐνὶ τῶν φίλων αὐτοῦ ὧν ἐφιλίασεν.

Κριταὶ 15

- 1 καὶ ἐγένετο μεθ' ἡμέρας ἐν ἡμέραις θερισμοῦ πυρῶν καὶ ἐπεσκέψατο Σαμψων τὴν γυναῖκα αὐτοῦ ἐν ἐρίφῳ αἰγῶν καὶ εἶπεν εἰσελεύσομαι πρὸς τὴν γυναῖκά μου εἰς τὸ ταμιεῖον καὶ οὐκ ἔδωκεν αὐτὸν ὁ πατὴρ αὐτῆς εἰσελθεῖν
- 2 καὶ εἶπεν ὁ πατὴρ αὐτῆς λέγων εἶπα ὅτι μισῶν ἐμίσησας αὐτήν καὶ ἔδωκα αὐτήν ἐνὶ τῶν ἐκ τῶν φίλων σου μὴ οὐχὶ ἡ ἀδελφὴ αὐτῆς ἡ νεωτέρα αὐτῆς ἀγαθωτέρα ὑπὲρ αὐτήν ἔστω δὴ σοι ἀντὶ αὐτῆς
- 3 καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς Σαμψων ἠθῶμαι καὶ τὸ ἅπαξ ἀπὸ ἀλλοφύλων ὅτι ποιῶ ἐγὼ μετ' αὐτῶν πονηρίαν
- 4 καὶ ἐπορεύθη Σαμψων καὶ συνέλαβεν τριακοσίας ἀλώπεκας καὶ ἔλαβεν λαμπάδας καὶ ἐπέστρεψεν κέρκον πρὸς κέρκον καὶ ἔθηκεν λαμπάδα μίαν ἀνὰ μέσον τῶν δύο κέρκων καὶ ἔδησεν
- 5 καὶ ἐξέκαυσεν πῦρ ἐν ταῖς λαμπάσιν καὶ ἐξαπέστειλεν ἐν τοῖς στάχυσιν τῶν ἀλλοφύλων καὶ ἐκάησαν ἀπὸ ἄλωνος καὶ ἕως σταχύων ὀρθῶν καὶ ἕως ἀμπελῶνος καὶ ἐλαίας
- 6 καὶ εἶπαν οἱ ἀλλόφυλοι τί ἐποίησεν ταῦτα καὶ εἶπαν Σαμψων ὁ νυμφίος τοῦ Θαμνι ὅτι ἔλαβεν τὴν γυναῖκα αὐτοῦ καὶ ἔδωκεν αὐτήν τῷ ἐκ τῶν φίλων αὐτοῦ καὶ ἀνέβησαν οἱ ἀλλόφυλοι καὶ ἐνέπρησαν αὐτήν καὶ τὸν πατέρα αὐτῆς ἐν πυρί
- 7 καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς Σαμψων ἐὰν ποιήσητε οὕτως ταύτην ὅτι εἰ μὴν ἐκδικήσω ἐν ὑμῖν καὶ ἔσχατον κοπάσω
- 8 καὶ ἐπάταξεν αὐτοὺς κνήμην ἐπὶ μηρὸν πληγὴν μεγάλην καὶ κατέβη καὶ ἐκάθισεν ἐν τρυμαλιᾷ τῆς πέτρας Ηταμ
- 9 καὶ ἀνέβησαν οἱ ἀλλόφυλοι καὶ παρενέβαλον ἐν Ιουδα καὶ ἐξερρίφησαν ἐν Λευι
- 10 καὶ εἶπαν ἀνὴρ Ιουδα εἰς τί ἀνέβητε ἐφ' ἡμᾶς καὶ εἶπον οἱ ἀλλόφυλοι δῆσαι τὸν Σαμψων ἀνέβημεν καὶ ποιῆσαι αὐτῷ ὃν τρόπον ἐποίησεν ἡμῖν
- 11 καὶ κατέβησαν τρισχίλιοι ἄνδρες ἀπὸ Ιουδα εἰς τρυμαλιὰν πέτρας Ηταμ καὶ εἶπαν τῷ Σαμψων οὐκ οἶδας ὅτι κυριεύουσιν οἱ ἀλλόφυλοι ἡμῶν καὶ τί τοῦτο ἐποίησας ἡμῖν καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς Σαμψων ὃν τρόπον ἐποίησάν μοι οὕτως ἐποίησα αὐτοῖς

- 12 καὶ εἶπαν αὐτῷ δῆσαί σε κατέβημεν τοῦ δοῦναί σε ἐν χειρὶ ἀλλοφύλων καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς Σαμψων ὁμόσατέ μοι μήποτε συναντήσητε ἐν ἐμοὶ ὑμεῖς
- 13 καὶ εἶπον αὐτῷ λέγοντες οὐχὶ ὅτι ἀλλ' ἡ δεσμῷ δῆσομέν σε καὶ παραδώσομέν σε ἐν χειρὶ αὐτῶν καὶ θανάτῳ οὐ θανατώσομέν σε καὶ ἔδησαν αὐτὸν ἐν δυσὶ καλωδίοις καινοῖς καὶ ἀνήνεγκαν αὐτὸν ἀπὸ τῆς πέτρας ἐκείνης
- 14 καὶ ἦλθον ἕως σιαγόνος καὶ οἱ ἀλλόφυλοι ἠλάλαξαν καὶ ἔδραμον εἰς συνάντησιν αὐτοῦ καὶ ἦλατο ἐπ' αὐτὸν πνεῦμα κυρίου καὶ ἐγενήθη τὰ καλώδια τὰ ἐπὶ βραχίουσιν αὐτοῦ ὥσει στιππύον ὃ ἐξεκαύθη ἐν πυρὶ καὶ ἐτάκhsαν δεσμοὶ αὐτοῦ ἀπὸ χειρῶν αὐτοῦ
- 15 καὶ εὔρεν σιαγόνα ὄνου ἐκρεριμμένην καὶ ἐξέτεινεν τὴν χεῖρα αὐτοῦ καὶ ἔλαβεν αὐτήν καὶ ἐπάταξεν ἐν αὐτῇ χιλίους ἄνδρας
- 16 καὶ εἶπεν Σαμψων ἐν σιαγόνι ὄνου ἐξαλείφω ἐξήλειψα αὐτούς ὅτι ἐν τῇ σιαγόνι τοῦ ὄνου ἐπάταξα χιλίους ἄνδρας
- 17 καὶ ἐγένετο ὡς ἐπαύσατο λαλῶν καὶ ἔρριψεν τὴν σιαγόνα ἐκ τῆς χειρὸς αὐτοῦ καὶ ἐκάλεσεν τὸν τόπον ἐκεῖνον ἀναίρεσις σιαγόνος
- 18 καὶ ἐδίψησεν σφόδρα καὶ ἔκλαυσεν πρὸς κύριον καὶ εἶπεν σὺ εὐδόκησας ἐν χειρὶ δούλου σου τὴν σωτηρίαν τὴν μεγάλην ταύτην καὶ νῦν ἀποθανοῦμαι τῷ δίψει καὶ ἐμπεσοῦμαι ἐν χειρὶ τῶν ἀπεριτμητῶν
- 19 καὶ ἔρρηξεν ὁ θεὸς τὸν λάκκον τὸν ἐν τῇ σιαγόνι καὶ ἐξῆλθεν ἐξ αὐτοῦ ὕδωρ καὶ ἔπιεν καὶ ἐπέστρεψεν τὸ πνεῦμα αὐτοῦ καὶ ἔζησεν διὰ τοῦτο ἐκλήθη τὸ ὄνομα αὐτῆς πηγὴ τοῦ ἐπικαλουμένου ἧ ἐστὶν ἐν σιαγόνι ἕως τῆς ἡμέρας ταύτης
- 20 καὶ ἔκρινεν τὸν Ἰσραὴλ ἐν ἡμέραις ἀλλοφύλων εἴκοσι ἔτη.

Κριταὶ 16

- 1 καὶ ἐπορεύθη Σαμψων εἰς Γάζαν καὶ εἶδεν ἐκεῖ γυναῖκα πόρνην καὶ εἰσῆλθεν πρὸς αὐτήν
- 2 καὶ ἀνηγγέλη τοῖς Γαζαίοις λέγοντες ἦκει Σαμψων ὧδε καὶ ἐκύκλωσαν καὶ ἐνήδρευσαν ἐπ' αὐτὸν ὅλην τὴν νύκτα ἐν τῇ πύλῃ τῆς πόλεως καὶ ἐκώφευσαν ὅλην τὴν νύκτα λέγοντες ἕως διαφύσῃ ὁ ὄρθρος καὶ φονεύσωμεν αὐτόν
- 3 καὶ ἐκοιμήθη Σαμψων ἕως μεσονυκτίου καὶ ἀνέστη ἐν ἡμίσει τῆς νυκτὸς καὶ ἐπελάβετο τῶν θυρῶν τῆς πύλης τῆς πόλεως σὺν τοῖς δυσὶ σταθμοῖς καὶ

ἀνεβάστασεν αὐτὰς σὺν τῷ μοχλῷ καὶ ἔθηκεν ἐπ' ὤμων αὐτοῦ καὶ ἀνέβη ἐπὶ τὴν κορυφὴν τοῦ ὄρους τοῦ ἐπὶ προσώπου Χεβρων καὶ ἔθηκεν αὐτὰ ἐκεῖ

4 καὶ ἐγένετο μετὰ τοῦτο καὶ ἠγάπησεν γυναῖκα ἐν Αλσωρηχ καὶ ὄνομα αὐτῇ Δαλιδα

5 καὶ ἀνέβησαν πρὸς αὐτὴν οἱ ἄρχοντες τῶν ἀλλοφύλων καὶ εἶπαν αὐτῇ ἀπάτησον αὐτὸν καὶ ἰδὲ ἐν τίνι ἡ ἰσχὺς αὐτοῦ ἡ μεγάλη καὶ ἐν τίνι δυνησόμεθα αὐτῷ καὶ δῆσομεν αὐτὸν τοῦ ταπεινῶσαι αὐτόν καὶ ἡμεῖς δώσομέν σοι ἀνὴρ χιλίους καὶ ἑκατὸν ἀργυρίου

6 καὶ εἶπεν Δαλιδα πρὸς Σαμψων ἀπάγγειλον δὴ μοι ἐν τίνι ἡ ἰσχὺς σου ἡ μεγάλη καὶ ἐν τίνι δεθήσῃ τοῦ ταπεινωθῆναί σε

7 καὶ εἶπεν πρὸς αὐτὴν Σαμψων ἐὰν δῆσωσίν με ἐν ἑπτὰ νευρέαις ὑγραῖς μὴ διεφθαρμέναις καὶ ἀσθενήσω καὶ ἔσομαι ὡς εἷς τῶν ἀνθρώπων

8 καὶ ἀνήνεγκαν αὐτῇ οἱ ἄρχοντες τῶν ἀλλοφύλων ἑπτὰ νευρὰς ὑγρὰς μὴ διεφθαρμένας καὶ ἔδησεν αὐτόν ἐν αὐταῖς

9 καὶ τὸ ἔνεδρον αὐτῇ ἐκάθητο ἐν τῷ ταμείῳ καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ ἀλλόφυλοι ἐπὶ σέ Σαμψων καὶ διέσπασεν τὰς νευρέας ὡς εἴ τις ἀποσπάσοι στρέμμα στιππύου ἐν τῷ ὀσφρανθῆναι αὐτὸ πυρός καὶ οὐκ ἐγνώσθη ἡ ἰσχὺς αὐτοῦ

10 καὶ εἶπεν Δαλιδα πρὸς Σαμψων ἰδοὺ ἐπλάνησάς με καὶ ἐλάλησας πρὸς με ψευδῇ νῦν οὖν ἀνάγγειλόν μοι ἐν τίνι δεθήσῃ

11 καὶ εἶπεν πρὸς αὐτὴν ἐὰν δεσμεύοντες δῆσωσίν με ἐν καλωδίῳις καινοῖς οἷς οὐκ ἐγένετο ἐν αὐτοῖς ἔργον καὶ ἀσθενήσω καὶ ἔσομαι ὡς εἷς τῶν ἀνθρώπων

12 καὶ ἔλαβεν Δαλιδα καλώδια καινὰ καὶ ἔδησεν αὐτόν ἐν αὐτοῖς καὶ τὰ ἔνεδρα ἐξῆλθεν ἐκ τοῦ ταμείου καὶ εἶπεν ἀλλόφυλοι ἐπὶ σέ Σαμψων καὶ διέσπασεν αὐτὰ ἀπὸ βραχιόνων αὐτοῦ ὡς σπαρτίον

13 καὶ εἶπεν Δαλιδα πρὸς Σαμψων ἰδοὺ ἐπλάνησάς με καὶ ἐλάλησας πρὸς ἐμὲ ψευδῇ ἀπάγγειλον δὴ μοι ἐν τίνι δεθήσῃ καὶ εἶπεν πρὸς αὐτὴν ἐὰν ὑφάνῃς τὰς ἑπτὰ σειρὰς τῆς κεφαλῆς μου σὺν τῷ διάσματι καὶ ἐγκρούσῃς τῷ πασσάλῳ εἰς τὸν τοῖχον καὶ ἔσομαι ὡς εἷς τῶν ἀνθρώπων ἀσθενής

14 καὶ ἐγένετο ἐν τῷ κοιμᾶσθαι αὐτόν καὶ ἔλαβεν Δαλιδα τὰς ἑπτὰ σειρὰς τῆς κεφαλῆς αὐτοῦ καὶ ὕφανεν ἐν τῷ διάσματι καὶ ἔπηξεν τῷ πασσάλῳ εἰς τὸν τοῖχον καὶ εἶπεν ἀλλόφυλοι ἐπὶ σέ Σαμψων καὶ ἐξυπνίσθη ἐκ τοῦ ὕπνου αὐτοῦ καὶ ἐξῆρεν τὸν πάσσαλον τοῦ ὑφάσματος ἐκ τοῦ τοίχου

15 καὶ εἶπεν Δαλιδα πρὸς Σαμψων πῶς λέγεις ἠγάπηκά σε καὶ οὐκ ἔστιν ἡ καρδιά σου μετ' ἐμοῦ τοῦτο τρίτον ἐπλάνησάς με καὶ οὐκ ἀπήγγειλάς μοι ἐν τίνι ἡ ἰσχὺς σου ἡ μεγάλη

16 καὶ ἐγένετο ὅτε ἐξέθλιψεν αὐτὸν ἐν λόγοις αὐτῆς πάσας τὰς ἡμέρας καὶ ἐστενοχώρησεν αὐτόν καὶ ὀλιγοψύχησεν ἕως τοῦ ἀποθανεῖν

17 καὶ ἀνήγγειλεν αὐτῇ τὴν πᾶσαν καρδίαν αὐτοῦ καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῇ σίδηρος οὐκ ἀνέβη ἐπὶ τὴν κεφαλὴν μου ὅτι ἅγιος θεοῦ ἐγὼ εἰμι ἀπὸ κοιλίας μητρός μου ἐὰν οὖν ξυρήσωμαι ἀποστήσεται ἀπ' ἐμοῦ ἡ ἰσχὺς μου καὶ ἀσθενήσω καὶ ἔσομαι ὡς πάντες οἱ ἄνθρωποι

18 καὶ εἶδεν Δαλιδα ὅτι ἀπήγγειλεν αὐτῇ πᾶσαν τὴν καρδίαν αὐτοῦ καὶ ἀπέστειλεν καὶ ἐκάλεσεν τοὺς ἄρχοντας τῶν ἀλλοφύλων λέγουσα ἀνάβητε ἔτι τὸ ἅπαξ τοῦτο ὅτι ἀπήγγειλέν μοι τὴν πᾶσαν καρδίαν αὐτοῦ καὶ ἀνέβησαν πρὸς αὐτὴν οἱ ἄρχοντες τῶν ἀλλοφύλων καὶ ἀνήνεγκαν τὸ ἀργύριον ἐν χερσὶν αὐτῶν

19 καὶ ἐκοίμισεν Δαλιδα τὸν Σαμψων ἐπὶ τὰ γόνατα αὐτῆς καὶ ἐκάλεσεν ἄνδρα καὶ ἐξύρησεν τὰς ἐπτὰ σειρὰς τῆς κεφαλῆς αὐτοῦ καὶ ἥρξατο ταπεινῶσαι αὐτόν καὶ ἀπέστη ἡ ἰσχὺς αὐτοῦ ἀπ' αὐτοῦ

20 καὶ εἶπεν Δαλιδα ἀλλόφυλοι ἐπὶ σέ Σαμψων καὶ ἐξυπνίσθη ἐκ τοῦ ὕπνου αὐτοῦ καὶ εἶπεν ἐξελεύσομαι ὡς ἅπαξ καὶ ἅπαξ καὶ ἐκτιναχθήσομαι καὶ αὐτὸς οὐκ ἔγνω ὅτι ἀπέστη ὁ κύριος ἀπάνωθεν αὐτοῦ

21 καὶ ἐκράτησαν αὐτόν οἱ ἀλλόφυλοι καὶ ἐξέκοψαν τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς αὐτοῦ καὶ κατήνεγκαν αὐτόν εἰς Γάζαν καὶ ἐπέδησαν αὐτόν ἐν πέδαις χαλκείαις καὶ ἦν ἀλήθων ἐν οἴκῳ τοῦ δεσποτηρίου

22 καὶ ἥρξατο θριξ τῆς κεφαλῆς αὐτοῦ βλαστάνειν καθὼς ἐξυρήσατο

23 καὶ οἱ ἄρχοντες τῶν ἀλλοφύλων συνήχθησαν θῦσαι θυσίασμα μέγα τῷ Δαγων θεῷ αὐτῶν καὶ εὐφρανθῆναι καὶ εἶπαν ἔδωκεν ὁ θεὸς ἐν χειρὶ ἡμῶν τὸν Σαμψων τὸν ἐχθρὸν ἡμῶν

24 καὶ εἶδαν αὐτόν ὁ λαὸς καὶ ὕμνησαν τὸν θεὸν αὐτῶν ὅτι παρέδωκεν ὁ θεὸς ἡμῶν τὸν ἐχθρὸν ἡμῶν ἐν χειρὶ ἡμῶν τὸν ἐρημοῦντα τὴν γῆν ἡμῶν καὶ ὃς ἐπλήθυνεν τοὺς τραυματίας ἡμῶν

25 καὶ ὅτε ἠγαθύνθη ἡ καρδιά αὐτῶν καὶ εἶπαν καλέσατε τὸν Σαμψων ἐξ οἴκου φυλακῆς καὶ παιζάτω ἐνώπιον ἡμῶν καὶ ἐκάλεσαν τὸν Σαμψων ἀπὸ οἴκου

δεσμοτηρίου καὶ ἔπαιζεν ἐνώπιον αὐτῶν καὶ ἐρράπιζον αὐτὸν καὶ ἔστησαν αὐτὸν ἀνὰ μέσον τῶν κίωνων

26 καὶ εἶπεν Σαμψων πρὸς τὸν νεανίαν τὸν κρατοῦντα τὴν χεῖρα αὐτοῦ ἄφες με καὶ ψηλαφήσω τοὺς κίονας ἐφ' οἷς ὁ οἶκος στήκει ἐπ' αὐτούς καὶ ἐπιστηριχθήσομαι ἐπ' αὐτούς

27 καὶ ὁ οἶκος πλήρης τῶν ἀνδρῶν καὶ τῶν γυναικῶν καὶ ἐκεῖ πάντες οἱ ἄρχοντες τῶν ἀλλοφύλων καὶ ἐπὶ τὸ δῶμα ὡς ἑπτακόσιοι ἄνδρες καὶ γυναῖκες οἱ θεωροῦντες ἐν παιγνίαις Σαμψων

28 καὶ ἔκλαυσεν Σαμψων πρὸς κύριον καὶ εἶπεν Ἀδωναιε κύριε μνήσθητι δὴ μου νῦν καὶ ἐνίσχυσόν με ἔτι τὸ ἅπαξ τοῦτο θεέ καὶ ἀνταποδώσω ἀνταπόδοσιν μίαν περὶ τῶν δύο ὀφθαλμῶν μου τοῖς ἀλλοφύλοις

29 καὶ περιέλαβεν Σαμψων τοὺς δύο κίονας τοῦ οἴκου ἐφ' οὓς ὁ οἶκος εἰστήκει καὶ ἐπεστηρίχθη ἐπ' αὐτούς καὶ ἐκράτησεν ἓνα τῇ δεξιᾷ αὐτοῦ καὶ ἓνα τῇ ἀριστερᾷ αὐτοῦ

30 καὶ εἶπεν Σαμψων ἀποθανέτω ψυχὴ μου μετὰ ἀλλοφύλων καὶ ἐβάσταξεν ἐν ἰσχύι καὶ ἔπεσεν ὁ οἶκος ἐπὶ τοὺς ἄρχοντας καὶ ἐπὶ πάντα τὸν λαὸν τὸν ἐν αὐτῷ καὶ ἦσαν οἱ τεθνηκότες οὓς ἐθανάτωσεν Σαμψων ἐν τῷ θανάτῳ αὐτοῦ πλείους ἢ οὓς ἐθανάτωσεν ἐν τῇ ζωῇ αὐτοῦ

31 καὶ κατέβησαν οἱ ἀδελφοὶ αὐτοῦ καὶ ὁ οἶκος τοῦ πατρὸς αὐτοῦ καὶ ἔλαβον αὐτὸν καὶ ἀνέβησαν καὶ ἔθαψαν αὐτὸν ἀνὰ μέσον Σαραα καὶ ἀνὰ μέσον Εσθαολ ἐν τῷ τάφῳ Μανωε τοῦ πατρὸς αὐτοῦ καὶ αὐτὸς ἔκρινεν τὸν Ἰσραὴλ εἴκοσι ἔτη.

Authorifed Verfion of 1611 (i.e., King James Verfion)

Judges 13

1 And the children of Israel did euill againe in the sight of the Lord, and the Lord deliuered them into the hand of the Philistines forty yeeres.

2 ¶ And there was a certaine man of Zorah, of the family of the Danites, whose name was Manoah, and his wife was barren, and bare not.

3 And the Angel of the Lord appeared vnto the woman, and said vnto her, Behold now, thou art barren, and bearest not: but thou shalt conceiue and beare a sonne.

4 Now therefore beware I pray thee, and drinke not wine, nor strong drinke, and eat not any vncleane thing.

5 For loe, thou shalt conceiue, and beare a sonne, and no razor shall come on his head: for the child shall be a Nazarite vnto God from the wombe: and he shall begin to deliuer Israel out of the hand of the Philistines.

6 ¶ Then the woman came, and told her husband, saying; A man of God came vnto mee, and his countenance was like the countenance of an Angel of God, very terrible: but I asked him not whence he was, neither told he me his name:

7 But he said vnto mee, Behold, thou shalt conceiue and beare a sonne; and now, drinke no wine nor strong drinke, neither eate any vncleane thing: for the childe shal be a Nazarite to God, from the wombe, to the day of his death.

8 ¶ Then Manoah entreated the Lord, and said, O my Lord, let the man of God which thou didst send, come againe vnto vs, & teach vs what we shall do vnto the childe that shall be borne.

9 And God hearkened to the voyce of Manoah; and the Angel of God came againe vnto the woman as shee sate in the field: But Manoah her husband was not with her.

10 And the woman made haste, and ranne, and shewed her husband, and said vnto him; Behold, the man hath appeared vnto me, that came vnto me the other day.

11 And Manoah arose, and went after his wife, and came to the man, and said vnto him, Art thou the man that spakest vnto the woman? And he said, I am.

12 And Manoah said, Now let thy words come to passe: How shall wee order the childe, and how shall we doe vnto him?

13 And the Angel of the Lord said vnto Manoah, Of all that I said vnto the woman, let her beware.

14 She may not eate of any thing that commeth of the Uine, neither let her drinke wine or strong drinke, nor eat any vncleane thing: all that I commanded her, let her obserue.

15 ¶ And Manoah saide vnto the Angel of the Lord, I pray thee let vs deteine thee, vntill wee shall haue made ready a kid for thee.

16 And the Angel of the Lord said vnto Manoah, Though thou deteine mee, I will not eat of thy bread: and if thou wilt offer a burnt offering, thou must offer it vnto the Lord: for Manoah knew not that he was an Angel of the Lord.

17 And Manoah said vnto the Angel of the Lord, What is thy name, that when thy sayings come to passe, we may doe thee honour?

18 And the Angel of the Lord said vnto him, Why askest thou thus after my name, seeing it is secret?

19 So Manoah tooke a kid, with a meat offering, and offered it vpon a rocke vnto the Lord: and the Angel did wonderously, and Manoah and his wife looked on.

20 For it came to passe, when the flame went vp toward heauen from off the altar, that the Angel of the Lord ascended in the flame of the altar: and Manoah and his wife looked on it, and fell on their faces to the ground.

21 (But the Angel of the Lord did no more appeare to Manoah and to his wife:) then Manoah knewe that he was an Angel of the Lord.

22 And Manoah said vnto his wife, Wee shall surely die, because wee haue seene God.

23 But his wife said vnto him, If the Lord were pleased to kill vs, he would not haue receiued a burnt offering and a meat offering at our hands, neither would hee haue shewed vs all these things, nor would as at this time haue told vs such things as these.

24 ¶ And the woman bare a sonne, and called his name Samson: and the child grew, & the Lord blessed him.

25 And the Spirit of the Lord beganne to mooue him at times in the campe of Dan, betweene Zorah and Eshtaol.

Judges 14

1 And Samson went down to Timnath, and sawe a woman in Timnath, of the daughters of the Philistines.

2 And hee came vp, and told his father and his mother, and said, I haue seene a woman in Timnath, of the daughters of the Philistines: nowe therefore get her for me to wife.

3 Then his father and his mother said vnto him, Is there neuer a woman among the daughters of thy brethren, or among all my people, that thou goest to take a wife of the vncircumcised Philistines? And Samson said vnto his father, Get her for me, for shee pleaseth me well.

4 But his father and his mother knew not that it was of the Lord, that hee sought an occasion against the Philistines: for at that time the Philistines had dominion ouer Israel.

5 ¶ Then went Samson downe, and his father & his mother, to Timnath, and came, to the vineyards of Timnath: and behold, a young Lion roared against him.

6 And the Spirit of the Lord came mightily vpon him, and hee rent him as he would haue rent a kid, and he had nothing in his hand: but hee told not his father or his mother what hee had done.

7 And hee went downe and talked with the woman, and she pleased Samson well.

8 ¶ And after a time hee returned to take her, and he turned aside to see the carkeis of the Lion: and beholde, there was a swarme of Bees, and honie in the carkeis of the Lion.

9 And hee tooke thereof in his handes, and went on eating, and came to his father and mother, and hee gaue them, and they did eate: but he told not them that he had taken the hony out of the carkeis of the Lion.

10 ¶ So his father went downe vnto the woman, and Samson made there a feast: for so vsed the young men to doe.

11 And it came to passe when they saw him, that they brought thirtie companions to be with him.

12 ¶ And Samson said vnto them, I will now put foorth a riddle vnto you: if you can certainly declare it me, within the seuen dayes of the feast, and finde it out, then I will giue you thirtie sheetes, and thirtie change of garments:

13 But if ye cannot declare it me, then shall yee giue me thirtie sheetes, and thirtie change of garments. And they said vnto him, Put foorth thy riddle, that we may heare it.

14 And hee said vnto them, Out of the eater came foorth meate, and out of the strong came foorth sweetnesse. And they could not in three dayes expound the riddle.

15 And it came to passe on the seuenth day, that they said vnto Samsons wife, Entice thy husband, that hee may declare vnto vs the riddle, lest we burne thee and thy fathers house with fire: Haue yee called vs, to take that wee haue? is it not so?

16 And Samsons wife wept before him, and said, Thou doest but hate me, and louest me not: thou hast put foorth a riddle vnto the children of my people, and hast not tolde it me. And hee said vnto her, Behold, I haue not tolde it my father nor my mother, and shall I tell it thee?

17 And shee wept before him the seuen dayes, while the feast lasted: and it came to passe on the seuenth day, that he tolde her, because shee lay sore vpon him: and she tolde the riddle to the children of her people.

18 And the men of the city said vnto him on the seuenth day before the sunne went downe, What is sweeter then honie? and what is stronger then a Lion? And he said vnto them, If ye had not plowed with my heifer, yee had not found out my riddle.

19 ¶ And the Spirit of the Lord came vpon him, and hee went downe to Ashkelon, and slewe thirtie men of them, and tooke their spoile, and gaue change of garments vnto them which expounded the riddle, and his anger was kindled; and hee went vp to his fathers house.

20 But Samsons wife was giuen to his companion, whom hee had vsed as his friend.

Judges 15

1 But it came to passe within a while after, in the time of wheat haruest, that Samson visited his wife with a kid, and he said, I will goe in to my wife into the chamber. But her father would not suffer him to goe in.

2 And her father saide, I verily thought that thou haddest vtterly hated her, therfore I gaue her to thy companion: is not her younger sister fairer then she? take her, I pray thee, in stead of her.

3 ¶ And Samson said concerning them, Now shal I be more blamelesse then the Philistines, though I do them a displeasure.

4 And Samson went and caught three hundred foxes, and tooke firebrands, and turned taile to taile, and put a firebrand in the midst betweene two tails.

5 And when hee had set the brands on fire, he let them goe into the standing corne of the Philistines, and burnt vp both the shockes, and also the standing corne, with the vineyards and oliues.

6 ¶ Then the Philistines saide, Who hath done this? and they answered, Samson the sonne in law of the Timnite, because hee had taken his wife, and giuen her to his companion. And the Philistines came vp, and burnt her and her father with fire.

7 ¶ And Samson said vnto them, Though ye haue done this, yet will I be auenged of you, and after that, I wil cease.

8 And he smote them hip and thigh, with a great slaughter; and hee went down and dwelt in the top of the rocke Etam.

9 ¶ Then the Philistines went vp, and pitched in Iudah, and spread themselues in Lehi.

10 And the men of Iudah said, Why are ye come vp against vs? and they answered, To bind Samson are we come vp, to doe to him, as he hath done to vs.

11 Then three thousand men of Iudah went to the top of the rocke Etam, and sayd to Samson; Knowest thou not that the Philistines are rulers ouer vs? What is this that thou hast done vnto vs? And he said vnto them, As they did vnto me, so haue I done vnto them.

12 And they said vnto him, Wee are come downe to binde thee, that we may deliuer thee into the hand of the Philistines. And Samson said vnto them, Swear vnto me, that yee will not fall vpon me your selues.

13 And they spake vnto him, saying; No: but wee will binde thee fast, and deliuer thee into their hand: but surely we will not kill thee. And they bound him with two new cordes, and brought him vp from the rocke.

14 ¶ And when he came vnto Lehi, the Philistines shouted against him: and the Spirit of the Lord came mightily vpon him, and the cordes that were vpon his armes became as flaxe that was burnt with fire, & his bands loosed from off his hands.

15 And he found a new iawbone of an asse, and put foorth his hand, and tooke it, and slewe a thousand men therewith.

16 And Samson said, With the iawbone of an asse, heapes vpon heapes, with the iaw of an asse haue I slaine a thousand men.

17 And it came to passe when he had made an end of speaking, that hee cast away the iaw bone out of his hand, and called that place Ramath-Lehi.

18 ¶ And hee was sore athirst, and called on the Lord, and said, Thou hast giuen this great deliuerance into the hand of thy seruant: and now shall I die for thirst, and fall into the hand of the vncircumcised?

19 But God claue an hollow place that was in the iawe, and there came water thereout, & when he had drunke, his spirit came againe, and he reuiued: wherefore hee called the name thereof En-hakkore, which is in Lehi, vnto this day:

20 And he iudged Israel in the dayes of the Philistines twentie yeeres.

Judges 16

1 Then went Samson to Gaza, and saw there an harlot, and went in vnto her.

2 And it was told the Gazites, saying, Samson is come hither. And they compassed him in, and layd wait for him all night in the gate of the citie, and were quiet all the night, saying, In the morning when it is day, we shall kill him.

3 And Samson lay till midnight, and arose at midnight, and tooke the doores of the gate of the city, and the two posts, and went away with them, barre and all, and put them vpon his shoulders, and caried them vp to the toppe of an hill that is before Hebron.

4 ¶ And it came to passe afterward, that he loued a woman in the valley of Sorek, whose name was Delilah.

5 And the lords of the Philistines came vp vnto her, and said vnto her, Entice him, and see wherein his great strength lieth, and by what meanes we may preuaile against him, that we may bind him, to afflict him: and we will giue thee euery one of vs, eleuen hundreth pieces of siluer.

6 ¶ And Delilah said to Samson, Tel me, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength lyeth, and wherewith thou mightest be bound, to afflict thee.

7 And Samson said vnto her, If they binde mee with seuen greene withs, that were neuer dried, then shall I be weake, and be as another man.

8 Then the lords of the Philistines brought vp to her seuen greene withs, which had not bene dried, & she bound him with them.

9 Now there were men lying in wait, abiding with her in the chamber: and she said vnto him, The Philistines be vpon thee, Samson. And he brake the withs, as a threed of tow is broken, when it toucheth the fire: so his strength was not knowen.

10 And Delilah said vnto Samson, Behold, thou hast mocked me, and told mee lies: now tell mee, I pray thee, wherewith thou mightest be bound.

11 And he said vnto her, If they bind me fast with newe ropes that neuer were occupied, then shall I bee weake, and be as another man.

12 Delilah therfore tooke new ropes, and bound him therewith, and said vnto him, The Philistines be vpon thee, Samson. (And there were liers in wait abiding in the chamber.) and hee brake them from off his armes, like a threed.

13 And Delilah said vnto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said vnto her, If thou weauest the seuen lockes of my head with the web.

14 And she fastened it with the pinne, and said vnto him, The Philistines be vpon thee, Samson. And hee awaked out of his sleepe, and went away with the pinne of the beame, & with the web.

15 ¶ And shee said vnto him, How canst thou say, I loue thee, when thine heart is not with mee? Thou hast mocked mee these three times, and hast not told me wherin thy great strength lieth.

16 And it came to passe, when she pressed him daily with her wordes, and vrged him so that his soule was vexed vnto death,

17 That he told her all his heart, and said vnto her, There hath not come a rasor vpon mine head: for I haue bene a Nazarite vnto God from my mothers wombe: If I bee shauen, then my strength will goe from me, and I shall become weake, and bee like any other man.

18 And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the Lords of the Philistines, saying, Come vp this once, for hee hath shewed me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came vp vnto her, & brought money in their hand.

19 And she made him sleepe vpon her knees, and she called for a man, and she caused him to shaue off the seuen lockes of his head, and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him.

20 And she said, The Philistines be vpon thee, Samson. And hee awoke out of his sleepe, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake my selfe. And he wist not that the Lord was departed from him.

21 ¶ But the Philistines tooke him and put out his eyes, and brought him downe to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brasse, and he did grind in the prison house.

22 Howbeit, the haire of his head began to grow againe, after he was shauen.

23 Then the lords of the Philistines gathered them together, for to offer a great sacrifice vnto Dagon their god, and to reioyce: for they said, Our god hath deliuered Samson our enemy into our hand.

24 And when the people saw him, they praised their god: for they said, Our god hath deliuered into our hands our enemy, and the destroyer of our countrey, which slew many of vs.

25 And it came to passe when their hearts were merry, that they said, Call for Samson, that hee may make vs sport. And they called for Samson out of the prison house, and he made them sport, and they set him betweene the pillars.

26 And Samson said vnto the lad that held him by the hand, Suffer mee, that I may feele the pillars whereupon the house standeth, that I may leane vpon them.

27 Now the house was full of men and women, and all the lords of the Philistines were there: and there were vpon the roofe about three thousand men and women, that behelde while Samson made sport.

28 And Samson called vnto the Lord, and said, O Lord God, remember me, I pray thee, & strengthen mee, I pray thee, onely this once, O God, that I may be at once auenged of the Philistines, for my two eyes.

29 And Samson tooke hold of the two middle pillars, vpon which the house stood, and on which it was borne vp, of the one with his right hand, and of the other with his left.

30 And Samson said, Let me die with the Philistines: & he bowed himselfe with all his might: and the house fel vpon the lords, and vpon all the people that were therein: so the dead which he slew at his death, were moe, then they which he slew in his life.

31 Then his brethren, and all the house of his father, came downe, and tooke him, and brought him vp, and buried him betweene Zorah and Eshtaol, in the burying place of Manoah his father: and hee iudged Israel twentie yeeres.